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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public services - Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao , the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Gudivada (now Rtd.) - Departmental Proceedings under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980 in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges - Issued

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PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.563 **Date:19/09/2023**

Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada, Surprise Check Report in Lr. Rc.No.110/DES-VK1/2020-S.9, dt:29.03.2023.
2. G.O.Ms.No.72, PR&RD(Vig.VI) Department, dt:19.09.2023.

ORDER :

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government under subclause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of the AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for instituting departmental proceedings against Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao , the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Gudivada (now Rtd.) vide G.O.Ms.No.72, PR&RD(VIG.VI) Department, dated:19.09.2023 2nd cited, it is proposed to hold an inquiry against the said Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Gudivada (now Rtd.) in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charges is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Gudivada (now Rtd.) is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this Memorandum a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

4. He is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Gudivada (now Rtd.) is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of the APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him exparte, based on the material available on record.

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6. The receipt of the proceedings shall be acknowledged along with Annexure-I, II, III & IV.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Gudivada (now Rtd.) through the ENC, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in- Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the Charged Officer with dated acknowledgement and send the same for record)

Copy to
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, APVC, Velagapudi.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI KARNA VENKATESWARA RAO, THE THEN EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS & S DIVISION, GUDIVADA(Rtd)

That Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, S/o Subrahmanyam (hereinafter referred as Government Servant (GS)) worked as Executive Engineer, RWS & S Division, Gudivada from 18.07.2019 to 08.09.2020, while working as Executive Engineer, RWS & S Division, Gudivada he committed grave misconduct in as much as:

CHARGE:-I

The Government Servant neither informed his Superior Officers nor complained to Police/ACB about his receiving phone calls from fake ACB officials, demanding money from him to close enquiry against him, instead, the Government Servant deposited Rs.3,15,000/- in the bank account provided by the fake ACB official which shows that he did not maintain absolute integrity.

CHARGE:-II

The Government Servant failed to supervise his staff resulting which the official records are not maintained properly and the Government Servant did not maintain the 'Check Measurement Register'.

CHARGE:-III

The Government Servant was in the possession of an unaccounted amount of Rs.12,320/- while on duty on the day of the Surprise Check i.e., 08.09.2020 by violating the orders of the Government.

CHARGE:-IV

The Government Servant did not put his signatures in the office Attendance Register for the entire Calendar year during his tenure which shows his gross negligence towards legitimate duties.

Thus, the Government Servant Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, RWS & S Division, Gudivada (Rtd.) by his above-mentioned acts has exhibited a lack of integrity, devotion to duty, and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby violated/ contravened Rule 3 (1), 3 (2) and 9 (8A) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule No 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

B RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI KARNA VENKATESWARA RAO, THE THEN EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS & S DIVISION, GUDIVADA, KRISHNA DISTRICT(Rtd).

That Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao S/o Subrahmanyam (hereinafter referred as Government Servant (GS)) worked as Executive Engineer, RWS & S Division, Gudivada from 18.07.2019 to 08.09.2020. His date of birth is 13.06.1961. He entered into Government service on 18-01-1986 as Assistant Executive Engineer at Block Development office, Panchayath Samithi, Boath, Telangana. He retired on 31.07.2021 from service.

CHARGE:-I

The Government Servant neither informed his Superior Officers nor complained to Police/ACB about his receiving phone calls from fake ACB officials, demanding money from him to close enquiry against him, instead, the Government Servant deposited Rs.3,15,000/- in the bank account provided by the fake ACB official. The acts of the Government Servant go to show that he did not maintain absolute integrity.

FACTS AND EVIDENCE:-

On receipt of credible information that certain Government Servants of Andhra Pradesh paid huge amounts to the fake ACB officials which is the subject matter of Cr.No. 32/2020 u/s 506, 384 r/w 511 IPC of Anantapur III Town Police Station, Anantapur District and Cr. No. 457/2020 u/s 170, 384 r/w 511 IPC of Kurnool II Town Police Station, Kurnool District and also that the officials of the O/o Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Gudivada Division, Gudivada, Krishna District are indulging in corrupt practices, a surprise check was conducted on 08.09.2020 from 10.45 hrs, to 22.30 hrs, on the office of Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada in the presence of mediators.

The DSPs, A.C.B., Vijayawada Range, Vijayawada, their staff along with the two official mediators, namely, 1) Sri Boyina Krishna Mohan S/o Gangadhara Rao, 40 Yrs, Assistant Audit Officer (State Audit), NTR Health University, Vijayawada, 2) Sri Arekapudi Sreenivas Babu S/o Sree Ramachandra Rao, 55 Yrs, Senior Auditor, O/o Assistant Audit Officer, State Audit, 3rd Floor, AMC Complex, Governorpet, Vijayawada, assembled in the office room of Addl. S.P., ACB, Vijayawada Range, Vijayawada at 08.30 hours on 08-09-2020 and left the ACB office at 08.45 hours for conducting a Surprise Check at the office of Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation (RWSS) Department, Gudivada Division, Gudivada. All the members of the Surprise Check Team reached the O/o Executive Engineer, at 10.15 hours on 08-09-2020.

On reaching the O/o Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation (RWS & S) Department, Gudivada Division, Gudivada, Krishna District, the search party got down from the vehicles and the Inspector-I instructed all the Surprise Check Team members to observe the happenings in the EE Office, RWS & S an unobtrusive way by concealing themselves in the public. Accordingly, all the members took vantage positions in and around the office surroundings of the said office. After observing the proceedings for a while at about 10.45 hours a raid was conducted on the said office. On entering the office premises and found office staff sitting in their chairs and attending to their routine duties. The Inspector also sent

their staff to the office rooms where the office staff are performing their duties and instructed their staff to observe and issue instructions to the staff to stay intact in their position. The Inspector entered the office chamber of the Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, identified one male person sitting in the chamber, introduced himself, the members of the Surprise Check Team search party, and mediators, and ascertained the particulars of the person as Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao S/o Subrahmanyam, 59 Yrs, Executive Engineer, O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division, R/o Flat No. 302, Prasad Apartment, Varla Bazar, Gudivada. Then the Inspector explained the purpose of their Surprise Check of the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, and staff and requested them to cooperate in conducting the Surprise Check. He further asked the EE, as to the particulars of the office staff who are present in the office. The following are the staff details who were present at the time of the Surprise Check.

1. Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, S/o Subrahmanyam, 59 Yrs, Executive Engineer, O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division.

2. Sri Potharlanka Ramakrishna, S/o Koteswara Rao, 43 Yrs, Senior Asst., Establishment & Works, O/o EE, Gudivada Division.

3. Smt. Vutchula Kamalamma, W/o late Mutyala Prasad, 56 Yrs, Junior Asst., Dispatch, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, R/o near Indian Gas, Eluru Road, Gudivada. Ph: 9392527672.

4. Sri Ulisi Manikantha S/o Katamraju, 28 Yrs, Attender (Out sourcing), O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

5. Sri Kancherla Srihari Babu, S/o Sanjeevarao, 43 Yrs, Office Sub-ordinate, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada,.

6. Smt. Thalla Varalakshmi, W/o D.Srinivasarao, 50 Yrs, Asst. Technical Officer, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada. Ph: 9248393358.

7. Smt. Nandamuri Srividhya, W/o V.Harikrishna Prasad, 42 Yrs, Asst. Executive Engineer, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Ph: 9949873137.

8. Smt. Choppala Anuradha, W/o Y.Sasibhushan, 50 Yrs, Asst. Executive Engineer, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada, Ph: 6300188283.

9. Sri Ayyanki Srinivasarao, S/o Nageswara Rao, 57 Yrs, Technical Officer, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

10. Smt. Battula Veera Venkata Naga Achala Kumari W/o Katamraju, 57 Yrs, Office Sub-ordinate, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

11. Sri Kona Veera Naga Sivaji, S/o Guravaiah, 52 Yrs, Asst. Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudlavalleru Section, Ph: 9100121321.

12. Sri Chitturi Sridhar, S/o Sambasivarao, 36 Yrs, Technical Assistant, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

13. Sri Kandhimalla Seshu, S/o Satyanarayana, 28 Yrs, Data Entry Operator (Outsourcing), O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

14. Smt. Cherukuri Udaya Lakshmi, W/o Paladugu Bala Prasad, 53 Yrs, Typist, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

15. Sri Borra Ajay Sai S/o Mattaiah, 21 Yrs, Field Asst. O/o EE, RWS & S,

Gudivada.

16. Sri Pedasangati Keerthi Kamal, S/o Nancharaiah, 32 Yrs, Micro Biologist, (Outsourcing) O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

17. Smt. Borra Pavani W/o Ravikumar, 29 Yrs, Helper, IWQM (Internal Water Quality Monitory) Lab, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

In addition to the above staff, it is identified that some persons also present in the office premises and the details of them are as follows:

1. Sri Mohammad Abuja, S/o Abdul Rajak, 59 Yrs, Owner cum Driver of car bearing No. AP16 TP 2850 of EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

2. Sri Ulisi Perraju S/o Rangarao, 45 Yrs, Civil Contractor, RWS & PR, D.No.1-16-1, Gopavaram, Kaikalur Mandal.

3. Sri Anagani Krishna Subbarao, S/o Byragi, 56 Yrs, Civil Contractor, RWS & PR, Mudinepalli (M).

4. Sri Koganti Venkata Srirama Prasad S/o Mutyalu, 60 Yrs, Retd, Sr. Asst., O/o EE, RWS & S, Bandar.

5. Sri Suraboina Ravi S/o Rajasekhar, 43 Yrs, N/o D.No. 1-100, Lella (V), Banaganapalli (M), Kurnool District, now Sudhakar Infra Structure Pvt. Ltd, Machilipatnam.

6. Sri Korrakoti Prabhakar S/o Peda Kotaiah, 42 Yrs, N/o D.No. 9-25-41-A/5, Janathapet, Kavali, Nellore District, now Sudhakar Infra Structure Pvt. Ltd, Machilipatnam.

In the meantime, between 10.45 hrs, and 11.45 hrs, some of the persons entered the premises and stated that they are the staff of the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada, the details are as follows;

1. Sri Chilakala Padmaraju, S/o William, 43 Yrs, Divisional Accounts Officer, Works & Establishments, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

2. Smt. Kambampati Kanaka Durga, D/o late Ramakoti, 40 Yrs, Jr. Asst., O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada

3. Sri Maganti Satyanarayana, S/o Subhash Chandrabose, 48 Yrs, Typist, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada

4. Sri Jonnalagadda Punnarao, S/o Bhaskhararao, 54 Yrs, Record Asst., O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada.

Then the Inspector requested the office staff to produce the cash possessed with them. On that, they produced the personal cash voluntarily mentioned below:

Sl No	Name of Employee	The unaccounted amount found in possession (in Rs.)	
		Below Rs. 500/-	Above Rs.500/-
1.	**Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao S/o Subrahmanyam, 59 Yrs, the then Executive Engineer, O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division (Retd.)(SO.1).**		**Rs.12,320/-**
2.	Sri Potharlanka Ramakrishna S/o Koteswara Rao, 43 Yrs, Senior Asst.,		Rs. 950/-

	Establishment & Works (SO.7).		
3.	Smt. Vutchula Kamalamma Junior Asst., Dispatch,	Rs. 500/-	
4.	Sri Ulisi Manikantha Attender (Out sourcing),	Rs. 30/-	
5.	Sri Kancherla Srihari Babu Office Sub-ordinate,	Rs. 20/-	
6.	Smt. Thalla Varalakshmi Asst. Technical Officer (SO.5).		Rs. 4,100/-
7.	Smt. Nandamuri Srividhya Asst. Executive Engineer (SO.4).		Rs. 3,860/-
8.	Smt. Choppala Anuradha Asst. Executive Engineer (SO.3).		Rs. 700/-
9.	Sri Ayyanki Srinivasarao Technical Officer (SO.6).		Rs. 1,240/-
10.	Smt. Battula Veera Venkata Naga Achala Kumari Office Sub-ordinate.	Nil	
11.	Sri Kona Veera Naga Sivaji, Asst. Executive Engineer, Gudlavalleru Section. (He is not the office staff of O/o EE, RWS, Gudivada, he came from Gudlavalleru RWS office on official purpose)		Rs. 4,940/-
12.	Sri Chitturi Sridhar Technical Assistant (SO.11).		Rs. 3,730/-
13.	Sri Kandhimalla Seshu Data Entry Operator (Outsourcing).	Rs. 80/-	
14.	Smt. Cherukuri Udaya Lakshmi Typist.		Rs. 4,160/-
15.	Sri Borra Ajay Sai, Field Asst. Micro Biology.	Rs. 370/-	
16.	Sri Pedasangati Keerthi Kamal Micro Biologist, (Outsourcing)	Rs. 20/-	
17.	Smt. Borra Pavani Helper, IWQM (Internal Water Quality Monitory) Lab.	Rs. 290/-	
18.	Sri Chilakala Padmaraju, Divisional Accounts Officer, Works & Establishments.	NIL	
19.	Smt. Kambampati Kanaka Durga, Jr. Asst. (SO.9).		Rs. 1,800/-
20.	Sri Maganti Satyanarayana, Typist.	Rs. 180/-	
21.	Sri Jonnalagadda Punnarao, Record Asst. **(Died)**		Rs. 920/-
TOTAL:		**Rs. 1,490/-**	**Rs.38,720/-**
GRAND TOTAL:		**Rs.40,210/-**	

Then the Inspector requested the above said private persons (1 to 6) to produce the cash possessed with them. On that, they produced the personal cash voluntarily mentioned as below:

S. No.	Name & Details of the private persons	Amount Found in possession during Surprise Check (in Rs.)
1)	Sri Mohammad Abuja S/o Abdul Rajak, 59 Yrs, Owner cum driver of car bearing No. AP16 TP 2850 of EE,	Rs. 50/-

	RWS & S, Gudivada.	
2)	Sri Ulisi Perraju S/o Rangarao, 45 Yrs, Civil Contractor.	Rs. 30/-
3)	Sri Anagani Krishna Subbarao, S/o Byragi, 56 Yrs, Civil Contractor.	Rs. 550/-
4)	Sri Koganti Venkata Srirama Prasad, Retd, Sr. Asst.	Rs. 660/-
5)	Sri Suraboina Ravi S/o Rajasekhar, now Sudhakar Infra Structure Pvt. Ltd, Machilipatnam.	Rs. 1,600/-
6)	Sri Korrakoti Prabhakar S/o Peda Kotaiah, 42 Yrs, now Sudhakar Infra Structure Pvt. Ltd, Machilipatnam	Rs. 50/-
	TOTAL:	**Rs. 2,940/-**

Then the Inspector asked the above private person about having possession of the above cash with them. They explained the grounds of their having possession of the above amount of Rs. 2,940/-, then the Inspector returned the amount of Rs.2,940/- which was possessed by each of them in the presence of mediators.

Then the Inspector asked the Divisional Accounts Officer, Works who is also seeing the establishment to produce the Personal Cash Declaration Register. Then the Divisional Accounts Officer stated that the said Personal Cash Declaration Register was not maintained in their office.

The Inspector asked the Office staff about the possession of the unaccounted cash, but they are unable to give proper explanations. The Inspector returned the cash to the persons who are in possession of below Rs.500/- remaining cash Rs.38,720/- was seized in the presence of mediators for further enquiry and to take the necessary action as the persons failed to explain the purpose to have that cash in their possession.

The Inspector asked the Divisional Accounts Officer to produce the Attendance Register and he produced the same, Attendance Register, which is being maintained for the Calendar Year -2020.

ATTENDANCE REGISTER: On perusal of the Attendance Register for September 2020, found the following staff details:

S.No.	Name	Designation	Remarks
1.	V. Srinivasarao	AE	Said to be working as DEE on OD at Machilipatnam.
2.	KSRK Prasad	AE	Said to be working as AE, RWS & S, Movva on OD.
3.	N. Srividhya	AEE	Not signed from 01.07.2020
4.	S. Rupesh	AEE	Said to be working as AE, RWS & S Nandivada on OD.
5.	M. Suguna Kumari	AEE	Said to be working as AEE, RWS & S MTM on OD.
6.	Ch. Anuradha	AEE	She is working on OD in this office and she did not put her signature since 20.07.2020.
7.	A. Srinivasarao	Technical Officer	Signed up to 07.09.2020 only.
8.	T. Vara Lakshmi	ATO	Signed up to 05.09.2020 only.
9.	Ch. Sridhar	Technical Asst.	Signed up to 07.09.2020
10.	B. Mahesh	Blue Print	Said to be working in RWS & S Sub-

		Operator	Division, Machilipatnam.
11.	P. Ramakrishna	Senior Asst.	Signed update i.e. 08.09.2020
12.	A. Krishna Chaitanya	Senior Asst.	Signed up to 07.09.2020 and he is Absent from duties on 08.09.2020 and he did not obtain prior CL.
13.	J. Srinivasu	Senior Asst.	Signed up to 07.09.2020 and he is Absent from duties on 08.09.2020 and he did not obtain prior CL.
14.	V. Kamalamma	Jr. Asst.	Signed update i.e. 08.09.2020
15.	K. Kanaka Durga	Jr. Asst.	Signed upto 07.09.2020.
16.	M. Satyanarayana	Typist	Signed up to 07.09.2020
17.	Ch. Udaya Lakshmi	Typist	Signed up to 28.08.2020 and she failed to put signatures up to date.
18.	J. Punna Rao	Record Asst.	Signed up to 04.09.2020, he is OD on 05.09.2020, further failed to put signatures on 07.09.2020 & 08.09.2020
19.	K. Srihari Babu	Office Sub-Ordinate	Signed up to 08.09.2020.
20.	BVVN Achala Kumari	Office Sub-Ordinate	Signed up to 05.09.2020 and failed to put signatures on 07.09.2020 & 08.09.2020.
21.	Anjaiah	Night Watchman	Signed up to 07.09.2020 and he has to attend duty at 17.00 hrs, on 08.09.2020
22	Ch. Padmaraju	Divisional Accounts Officer	Signed up to 07.09.2020.
23.	**K. Venkateswara Rao**	**Executive Officer**	**He did not put his signatures in the calendar year, 2020.**

As seen above out of 23 members of staff mentioned in the Attendance Register, some of the staff are not putting their signatures against their names properly. It is further observed that a separate Attendance Register is being maintained for the Data Entry Operators and the attendance for September 2020 was not written in the register and the name of 1-Office Sub-Ordinate namely Manikantha who is present in the office and working on an Outsourcing basis was not mentioned in the regular Attendance Register nor Outsourcing employees register.

When the Inspector asked the staff members who have attended the office lately and who are failed to put signatures in the Attendance Register, they kept silent.

The Inspector examined the following persons

1) **Sri Mohammad Abuja:** On examination, he stated that he is having Swift Dzire Car bearing NO. AP16TT 2850 in the name of his son Md.Ayub. **Since the year 2016, he kept his car to EE, RWS & S, Gudivada on a hire basis, and the department is paying Rs. 35,000/- per month online in the name of his son.** Sri K.Venkateswara Rao is the EE, RWS & S for one year. As a part of the Surprise Check, when the ACB officials searched him, he is in the possession of Rs. 50/- only with him and the ACB officials returned his amount to him in the presence of mediators, etc, facts.

2) **Sri Ulisi Perraju:** On examination, he stated that he is doing contract work. Recently, he got a tender through e-procurement to complete the works of Recoupment of filter media to new SS filters and other repairs of PWS Scheme Kaikalur of Kaikalur Mandal and he completed the work. On 08.09.2020 he turned to the Gudivada RWS office. The ACB officials also searched him and found Rs. 30/- is in his possession and they returned the amount to him in the presence of mediators, etc., facts.

3) **Sri Anagani Krishna Subba Rao:** On examination, he stated that he is a contractor. On 03.07.2020, he got a contract to repair the media at Vanuduru (V) with the estimation of work of Rs.2,50,000/-. About 10 days back, he completed the work and went to EE, RWS office to submit the bills. When he is present in the office, the ACB officials visited the office. The ACB officials also searched him and found an amount of Rs. 550/- in his possession. When he explained the grounds of having possession of Rs. 550/-, they returned the amount to him in the presence of mediators, etc., facts.

4) **Sri Koganti Venkata Srirama Prasad:** On examination, he stated that he is a Retired Senior Assistant of Gudlavalleru TWS, Machilipatnam Sub-Division and he retired from services on 31.08.2020. On 08.09.2020 he visited the O/o EE, RWS & S, as the pension benefits, etc, are pending, as the EE, Gudivada is the DDO, he came to O/o EE, RWS & S. In the meantime, the ACB officials of Vijayawada visited the O/o EE, RWS & S, as a part of the Surprise Check, the ACB officials found possession of Rs. 660/- with him, after explaining the grounds of having possession of Rs. 660/-, they returned the amount to him in the presence of mediators, etc., facts.

5) **Sri Suraboina Ravi:** On examination, he is working as a Project Engineer in Sudhakara Infratech Pvt. Ltd. Now their company is doing drainage works at Machilipatnam, and due to this at present he is residing in Machilipatnam. On 08.09.2020, he came to the Office of the EE, RWSS to meet Chaitanya, but he is unavailable when they are waiting for Chaitanya, in the meantime the ACB officials visited the O/o EE, RWSS and as a part of the Surprise Check, they also searched him and found Rs.1,600/- in his possession. When the ACB officials asked him about having possession of Rs.1,600/-, he explained the grounds of having possession of Rs.1,600/- with him, then the ACB officials returned the amount to him in the presence of mediators, etc., facts.

6) **Sri Korrakoti Prabhakar:** On examination, he stated that he is also working along with Sri Suraboina Ravi in Sudhakar Infra Tech Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad as a site in charge. As per the request of Sri Suraboina Ravi, he also accompanied Sri Suraboina Ravi to Gudivada, etc, facts.

Then the Inspector asked the Divisional Accounts Officer about Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya, then he replied that he is the Senior Assistant working in the O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division and he is absent for duties i.e, 08.09.2020, without any prior intimation. Then the Inspector instructed the Divisional Accounts Officer to make a call to Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya with instructions to come to the office.

The Inspector, ACB secured the presence of the staff and examined them in the presence of mediators, and recorded their detailed statements.

1. **Sri Jonnalagadda Punnarao**: On examination, he stated that since 27.12.2019, he is working as a Record Assistant in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division. As a Record Assistant, he is doing the work of Circle Office Tappal, he used to take the bills to the Pay and Accounts office and as a Record Assistant either the Divisional Accounts Officer or EE, RWS & S not entrusted any job chart to him, etc., facts.

2. **Smt. Uchula Kamalamma:** On examination, she stated that since the year 2016, she has been working as a Junior Assistant in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada. As a Junior Assistant, she is maintaining the Outward Register, Work Estimation Register, Local Tappals Register, Regd. Posts etc.,

3. **Smt. Borra Pavani:** On examination, she stated that since 2018, she has been working as Lab Helper in IWQML Lab, Gudivada, and her office is situated in the office premises of O/o EE, RWS & S. Her duty is cleaning the lab equipment only. This day i.e. on 08.09.2020, as usual, she attended the office. The ACB officials visited the O/o EE, RWS & S and as a part of the Surprise Check, they found Rs.290/- in her possession and they returned the same amount to her in the presence of mediators, etc, facts.

4. **Smt. Cherukuri Udaya Lakshmi:** On examination, she stated that since 2016, she has been working as a Typist in the office of RWS Sub-Division, Gudivada. She is doing the typing work. On 08.09.2020, as usual, she attended the office, as a part of the Surprise Check, the ACB officials found Rs. 4,120/- in her possession, etc., facts.

5. **Sri Kandhimalla Seshu**: On examination, he stated that since February 2020, he is working as a Data Entry Operator, RWS & S Division Office, Gudivada. He is doing the uploading work of Mahatma Gandhi NREGS works and Agreements, working estimates, digital estimates, etc., He is maintaining the FTO details register, etc, facts.

6. **Sri Borra Ajay Sai:** On examination, he stated that he is working as a Field Assistant since April 2020 in the O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division. His duty is collection of sample water in each village of the Gudivada Division and hands over the same to the lab etc, facts.

7. **Smt. Pedasanagati Keerthi Kamal:** On examination, he stated that he is working since the year 2015 in the Water Testing Lab of RWS & S Office, Gudivada Division and some of the persons are also working along with him. Further, he stated that on 08.09.2020 some persons entered their office, and later they came to know that they are the officials of ACB, Vijayawada, etc, facts.

8. **Smt. Nandamuri Srividhya:** On examination, she stated that since July 2019 she is working as an AEE and she is doing the work pertaining to water supply maintenance of the Kaikalur Sub-Division. On 08.09.2020, the ACB officials of Vijayawada came to their office, as a part of the Surprise Check, the ACB officials found Rs. 3,860/- in her possession, etc, facts.

9. **Smt. Choppala Anuradha:** On examination, she stated that from the years 2017 to January 2020, she worked as an AEE in Vuyyyuru Mandal Section in RWS & S Department. Since January 2020, she is working in the O/o Gudivada Rural Water Supply & Sanitation office on deputation and she is doing the maintenance of Machilipatnam Division Work. On 08.09.2020, the ACB officials of Vijayawada came to their office, as a

part of the Surprise Check, the ACB officials found Rs.700/- in her possession, etc, facts.

10. **Smt. Talla Vara Lakshmi:** On examination, she stated that since 2016, she is working as an Asst. Technical Officer in the O/o RWS & S Gudivada Sub-Division and she is doing the work of bills pertaining to the Gudivada Sub-Division. On 08.09.2020, the ACB officials visited their office, as a part of the Surprise Check, the ACB officials found Rs.4,100/- with her possession, etc, facts.

11. **Kum. Kambhampati Kanaka Durga:** On examination, she stated that she was promoted as a Junior Assistant and working in the O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division since 11.07.2019. As a Junior Assistant, she is maintaining the work of Inward, M-Books, Movement Register, Bills Register, and Refund Deposit Register pertaining to the Divisions of Machilipatnam and Kaikalur. On 08.09.2020 at about 11.30 hrs, she came to her office and noticed that the ACB officials, Vijayawada are conducting the Surprise Check over their office, and as a part of the Surprise Check, the ACB officials found Rs. 1800/- in her possession, etc, facts.

12. **Smt. Battula Veera Venkata Naga Achala Kumari:** On examination, she stated that she was appointed as an Office Subordinate in RWS & S Department on compensative grounds after the death of her husband. Since the year 1999, she is working in the O/o RWS & S Office, Gudivada Division. She is dispatching the files from seat to seat etc, facts.

13. **Sri Maganti Satyanarayana:** On examination, he stated that he is working as a Typist in the O/o RWS & S Gudivada Division since 01.10.2016. He is doing the work of uploading and downloading on their website. He is maintaining an E-mail Book Register. On 08.09.2020 at about 11.00 hrs, he came to the office and noticed the ACB officials of Vijayawada are conducting the Surprise Check in their office, etc, facts.

14. **Sri Ulisi Manikantha:** On examination, he stated that since 22.07.2019 he is working as an Attender on an Outsourcing basis in the O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division. As an Attender, he is doing water supply, dispatching of files to office staff, etc, On 08.09.2020, as usual, at about 9 AM he came to the office and when he is present in the office, the ACB officials of Vijayawada came to the office, etc, facts.

15. **Sri Kancherla Srihari Babu:** On examination, he stated that since the year 2016, he is working in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada as an Office Subordinate. In the office, he is doing the supply of water to the staff, and dispatching files. On 08.09.2020 at about 09.30 hrs, he came to their office, and when he is present in the office, the ACB officials of Vijayawada visited their office and conducted the Surprise Check on the office, etc, facts.

16. **Sri Chitturi Sridhar:** On examination, he is working in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada since the year 2018. He is the Technical Assistant and he is doing the work of a Printing Technician. He is also doing the work of Spandana petitions, every day he used to see the Spandana portal and used to forward the petitions which were received to them to the concerned Sub-Divisions for compliance. On 08.09.2020, he came to the office, when he reached the office, he noticed that the ACB officials of Vijayawada are conducting searches in their office. As a part of the

Surprise Check, the ACB officials found Rs.3,730/- in his possession in the presence of mediators, etc, facts.

17. **Sri Potharlanka Ramakrishna:** On examination, he stated that he is working as a Senior Assistant in the O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division since 21.11.2019. As a Senior Assistant, he is doing the work of establishment, salaries, sanction of increments, leave sanction, site Engineers' salaries, online bills, work bills of Kaikalur & Avanigadda, and other works entrusted to him by his Superiors. On 08.09.2020, as usual, he came to his office, and while he is attending to his office routine the ACB officials of Vijayawada came to his office and they conducted the Surprise Check. As a part of the Surprise Check, the ACB officials found an amount of Rs.950/- in his possession, etc, facts.

18. **Sri Ayyanki Srinivasa Rao:** On examination, he stated that since 2014, he is working in RWS & S Office, Gudivada as a Technical Officer. He is doing the scrutiny of work bills pertaining to the Avanigadda Sub-Division. He is also maintaining all the 5-Sub-Divisions' Technical Sanitization Register, Agreement Register, and Tender Register. On 08.09.2020, while he is attending to his office routine, the ACB officials came to their office and as a part of the Surprise Check, they found Rs. 1,200/- in his possession in the presence of mediators, etc, facts.

In the meantime, one person came to the office and introduced himself as Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya, Senior Assistant of the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division. Then the Inspector examined him and recorded his detailed statement.

19. **Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya:** On examination, he stated that he was appointed in the Department of RWS & S on compensative grounds. Since June 2017, he is working in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division as a Senior Assistant. He is looking at the work of cash book accounts, Work Bills pertaining to the Machilipatnam Sub-Division. On 08.09.2020, he orally obtained permission from Divisional Accounts Officer as his wife is pregnant and he did not attend the office. Later, he received a phone call from his office and he turned up to his office and noticed the ACB officials of Vijayawada are conducting searches in his office, etc, facts.

Then the Inspector, ACB, secured the presence of Sri Ch. Padmaraju, Divisional Accounts Officer, and Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, Executive Engineer, O/o RWS & S Department, Gudivada Division and examined them in the presence of mediators and recorded their details which run as follows;

20. **Sri Ch.Padmaraju, Divisional Accounts Officer:** On examination, he stated that since July 2019 he is working as a Divisional Accounts Officer in the O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S Department, Gudivada. He is supervising the work of office establishment and works accounts duties along with office managerial duties. On this day i.e, on 08.09.2020, at about 11.45 hrs, he came to his office and when he came to his office he noticed that the ACB Officials, Vijayawada are conducting the Surprise Check, etc, facts.

21. **Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, Executive Engineer:** On examination, he stated that he is a native of Pandhillapalli (V), Vetapalem (M), Prakasam District. Since 18.07.2019, he is working as an Executive Engineer in RWS & S, Gudivada Division. His wife Smt. Anuradha is a housewife, his son K. Ravikiran got married and he is working in Deloit

Company as a software engineer. His daughter Smt. Sindhula, W/o Pera Chandu Naveen, working as a Software Engineer and residing in Bangalore. On 08.12.2019 at about 10.30 hrs, he received a phone call to his mobile No. 9100121315. The person who called him ascertained his particulars and previous postings. Then he replied that they belong to the ACB of Guntur and he furnished his name as one Muslim name. He did not know his name. He furnished that they received a petition against him about his disproportionate assets. Then, he replied about what he will do, then the person furnished that the matter does not go to the notice of the DSP, so saying he stated that he can stop the petition. Then he asked what will he do ? then the person asked him to send Rs.1.00 Lakh and promised to drop further action. Due to fear, he agreed to that deal and he replied that at that time he is not having in possession of Rs.1.00 Lakh, then the person replied that send some money that he is having in possession and so saying he informed him that he will send an account No. through message and instructed to send the money to that account. Immediately, he received account No. to his mobile. On the same day, he withdrew an amount of Rs.40,000/- from the SBI, ATM which is situated opposite to their office and post office, and send the same amount to that Account which he received to his mobile phone. Later he also sent a message that he sent the money, immediately again he called him and informed him that he received the money and asked to send the remaining amount tomorrow before the opening of the office and so saying he cut his mobile phone. On the same day evening again that person called him and asked to send further Rs. 2.00 Lakhs, then he stated that he will send the amount in soon. On the next day i.e. on 09.12.2019, he took the amount of Rs.1,20,000/- which was withdrawn from Axis Bank ATM on the dates 05th, 06th,07th, and while reaching the office again, he withdrew an amount of Rs. 40,000/- from SBI ATM and came to his office with the total amount of Rs.1,60,000/- and requested his Senior Assistant Chaitanya to deposit the same amount by giving the Account No. which he received on his phone. Accordingly, Chaitanya deposited the amount through SBI Bank, in the said Account and also handed over the receipt to him. Then he tried to contact the person by phone but in vain, then he sent an SMS as "DONE". Later again he phoned him and stated that he received the amount. Again on the same day at night time, he called him and demanded a total amount of Rs.3,00,000/- to close the issue, so saying that he have to disburse the same amount to some of the persons and so saying he asked to send another Rs.1.00 Lakh. Then, he replied that as demanded he already sent Rs.2,00,000/-, again they are asking for another Rs.1.00 Lakh and he demanded to send another Rs.1,00,000/- and so saying he cut his phone. Due to fear, on 10.12.2019 he withdrew an amount of Rs.40,000/- from Axis Bank, on 11.12.2019 he withdrew an amount of Rs.60,000/- i.e. an amount of Rs. 20,000/- from SBI ATM, and Rs.40,000/- through Axis Bank ATM and sent the total amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- to the person who furnished the A/c No. as ACB officials through CDM in thrice. Later he sent a message that "MONEY SENT". On the same day afternoon, he contacted him over the phone and informed him that he received the amount. Later at about 2.00 hrs, again he received a phone call with a demand of another Rs.15,000/- with a plea to disburse the same to the clerks. Again he sent an amount of Rs.15,000/- through CDM to that account and sent a message that "SENT". Later he phoned him and informed him that he received the money, then he asked for the receipt about the withdrawal of action against him, then he replied that he will send it through Whatsapp and he did not send any message to him. Later he tried to make a call to him but was unable to contact him over the phone. Later he deleted the phone No. and A/c No. from his phone. He also misplaced the chit

containing the A/c No. He did not know the particulars of the person who contacted him over the phone as an ACB official. Then the Inspector asked him why his acts done by him are illegal and why he had failed to inform the matter to his immediate superior and to file of complaint at the concerned Police Station, he stated that due to fear that it will degrade his social status and so saying he did not inform the same to anyone, etc, facts. The E.E. admitted the above facts before the mediators.

During enquiry the DSP, ACB examined the following witnesses and recorded their Statements.

1) **Sri Uchula Kamalamma, W/o late Mutyala Prasad, Age 55 yrs, Jr. Asst., O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, R/o 1-112/21, 1st Floor, Suvarna Enclave, Indane Gas Street, Gudivada Town.**

On examination, she stated that she has been working as a Junior Assistant in the O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division since the year 2016. As a Junior Assistant, he is maintaining the Outward Register, Work Estimation Register, Local Tappals Register, Regd. Posts etc., she further stated that on 08.09.2020, as usual, she came to the office in the morning while she was working in her seat, at about 10.45 hrs, the ACB officials came to the Executive Engineers' office and asked about fake ACB phone calls to Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division. Then Sri K. Venkateswara Rao stated about his receiving fake phone calls that occurred during the Surprise Check Proceedings etc facts.

2) **Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya, S/o (late) Sreenivasa Vara Prasada Rao, Age 26 yrs, Sr. Asst., O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, R/o D.No.17-335/8b, Tattivarru Road, Mandapadu, Gudivada Town:**

On examination, he stated that he was appointed in the Department of RWS & S on compensative grounds. Since 01.06.2017, he has been working in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division as a Senior Asst. He is looking after the work of cash book accounts, Work Bills pertaining to Machilipatnam Sub-Division. On 08.09.2020 he orally obtained permission from Divisional Accounts Officer as his wife is pregnant and he did not attend the office. Later he received a phone call from his office and he turned up to his office and noticed ACB officials of Vijayawada are conducting searches in his office. The ACB officials asked about fake ACB phone calls to Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division. Then Sri K.Venkateswara Rao stated during the Surprise Check proceedings about his receiving fake phone calls in the name of an ACB Official. He further stated that **On 09.12.2019, Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division called him to his room, gave him Rs.1,60,000/- (one lakh sixty thousand Rupees), and instructed him to deposit the amount in a bank A/c.38557387617, SBI of N. Mohan. Accordingly, he deposited Rs.1,60,000/- in A/c. 38557387617 through SBI, Gudivada Branch by filling the bank instrument and handing over the counter foil to EE, Venkateswara Rao, etc facts.**

3) **Sri Maganti Satyanarayana Rao, S/o Subhash Chandrabose, Age 50 Yrs, Typist, O/o CEO, Zilla Parishad, Krishna District, previously worked in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada, R/o Sumalatha Mansion, behind Eenadu Office, Patamata, Vijayawada,**

Ph: 9441364976.

On examination, he stated that presently he is working as a Typist in the O/o CEO, Zilla Parishat, Krishna District, previously he worked as a Typist in the O/o RWS & S Gudivada Division from 1.10.2016 to 01.07.2022. He had done the work of uploading and downloading on the website. He is maintaining an E-mail book register in Gudivada RWS & S office. **On 08.09.2020 at about 11.00 hrs, he came to the office and noticed that the ACB officials of Vijayawada are conducting the Surprise Check in their office.** During the Surprise Check, the ACB officials asked Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division about fake ACB phone calls. Then Sri K. Venkateswara Rao stated during the Surprise Check Proceedings about his receiving fake phone calls in the name of an ACB Official. **He came to know that Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division deposited some amount in the fake ACB official's bank account at Gudivada through Ambati Krishna Chaitanya, Sr. Asst**. Personal Cash Register and Office Attendance Register maintenance responsibility is the then Divisional Manager, Chilaka Padmaraju. The ACB officials examined him etc. facts.

4) Statement of Sri M.V.S. Satyanarayana Raju, S/o MV Rama Raju, Age 59 yrs, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division and I/c District RWS Engineer, Krishna District Machilipatnam.

On examination, he stated that he has been working as a District RWS & S Engineer Krishna Dist, Machilipatnam from 17.08.2022. The Government servant Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao previously worked as an Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, and retired on 30.06.2021. He came to know that on 08.09.2020 at about 11.45 hrs, ACB Officials, Vijayawada conducted a Surprise Check on the O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division. During the Surprise Check, ACB officials asked about the fake ACB phone calls to Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, RWS & S Department, Gudivada Division, then Sri K. Venkateswara Rao stated about his receiving fake phone calls in the name of an ACB Official. **He also came to know that K. Venkateswara Rao, the then EE neither informed the superior officers of RWS & S nor complained to any others regarding the fake ACB calls and about the giving of money by him to the fake ACB officials to avoid an enquiry**. On questioning by the ACB officials about who is responsible for not maintaining the "Personal Cash Register" and not proper maintenance of the office "Attendance Register" which were observed during the Surprise Check, Dt.08.09.2020, he replied that the then Divisional Accounts Officer is responsible for the above lapses. On the request of the DSP, ACB, he identified the following records as attested copies of the Technical Sanction Register, Agreement Register, Tender Register, Measurement Book Issue Register, works Administrative Sanction Register of RWS &S Gudivada Division which were provided to the ACB officials by the then Divisional Accounts Officer at the time Surprise Check, Dt.08.09.2020. **He further stated that the maintenance of the "Check Measurement Register" is the responsibility of the Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division.** Then DSP, ACB asked him about by whom the following registers are being maintained, he stated the details are as follows;

a) **<u>Technical Sanction Register:</u>** It is being maintained from 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-2020 wherein 3 Nos. of the works mentioned in SL 40,41,43 had not been signed by the Executive Engineer. The Register

was updated till December 2019 only. No entries for the year 2020. **It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer Sri A.Srinivasarao.**

b) **Agreement Register:** The dated initials of the Executive Engineer in the Register had not been obtained from January 2020 to till date. At page 94 & 95, SL. 52, 57 the time and date fixed for completion of works was not mentioned. **It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer Sri A. Srinivasarao.**

c) **Tender Register:** e-Tender Register is being operated by the case worker of the then Division i.e Technical Officer Sri A. Srinivasarao with the assistance of the Typist/ DEO. The finalization of tenders shall be put up to the Executive Engineer duly submitting a comparative statement and note file. After every month the details of opened tenders shall be recorded in the Register. But he failed to record all the columns in the Tenders Register and did not take up the dated initials of the EE in Column No. 5 which shows the Tender acceptance was not recorded in the entitled Register. It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer, Sri A. Srinivasarao.

d) **Measurement Book Issue Register:** In the Register opening balance and closing balance is not mentioned. The entries were updated up to November 2019 only. Not to mention the Sl. Nos. of M-Books which they have issued to various Sub-Divisions. **It was not maintained properly by the then B-2 Jr. Asst. K.Kanaka Durga.**

e) **Works Administrative Sanction Register:** The works sanctioned by the Dist. Collector, Krishna dist, Chief Executive Engineer, Zilla Parishat, Krishna under different grants like Chief Minister Development fund, ZP funds, etc should be recorded in the Register. But Asst. Technical Officer T. Vara Lakshmi had to take dated initials from the Executive Engineer which it was filed and registered the works and SL number-wise. **It was not maintained properly by the then Asst. Technical officer (ATO), T.Vara Lakshmi.**

f) **Check Measurement Register:** Completely not maintained by the then Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division Sri K. Venkateswara Rao,

He further stated that during December 2018, an inspection of the Gudivada Division Office was carried out for the year 2018-19, by the then Superintendent Engineer, RWS & S Circle, Vijayawada, as per letter No. SA/RWSS/ Gudivada/ inspection notes / 2019-20/2020-21, Dt.28.09.2020 of the then Superintendent Engineer, RWS & S Circle, Vijayawada, he had planned to conduct inspections of the division during March 2020 vide Proceedings No.A2/inspection/2020, Dt. 17.03.2020, in the meantime 7 members of SE office staff were affected with Covid-19 positive, and also due to the lockdown and COVID-19 Pandemic, the inspections could not be conducted. After the relaxation of the restrictions and improvements, he conducted an inspection of the RWS & S, Gudivada Division on 15.09.2020, for the year 2019-20. The same was intimated to the ACB officials vide letter No.SA/RWSS/Gudivada/inspection notes/2019-20/2020-21, Dt. 28.09.2020.

He further stated that about the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, and his office staff.

As per the recent Districts bifurcations in the AP, RWS & S, the Gudivada Division office is working under the Control of District RWS & S Engineer, Krishna District, Machilipatnam from 04.04.2022.

5) Statement of Sri Chandu Amareswara Rao, Superintending Engineer (Retired), RWS & S Circle, Vijayawada.

On examination, he stated that previously he worked as a Superintending Engineer, RWS & S Circle, Vijayawada from 18.07.2019 to 30.09.2020 and retired on 30.09.2020 from the services on attaining the age of superannuation. Previously Sri K.Venkateswara Rao worked as an Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, and retired on 30.06.2021 from the service on attaining the age of superannuation. Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, Executive Engineer did not inform him about the receiving of fake ACB phone calls and demanding money from him for closing the corruption allegation petition against him at that time. On 08.09.2020, the ACB officials, Vijayawada conducted searches on the O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, and informed some irregularities. In December 2018 Gudivada Division Office inspection was carried out for the year 2018-19 by the then Superintendent Engineer, RWS & S Circle, Vijayawada. He had planned to conduct inspections of the division during March 2020 vide Proceedings No. A2/ inspection/2020, Dt. 17.03.2020, in the meantime 7 members of his office staff were affected with Covid-19 positive, and also due to the lockdown and COVID-19 Pandemic, the inspections could not be conducted. After the relaxation of the restrictions and improvements, he conducted the inspection of the RWS & S, Gudivada Division on 15.09.2020 for the year 2019-20. The same was submitted to the ACB officials vide letter No. SA/RWSS/Gudivada/inspection notes /2019-20/2020-21, Dt. 28.09.2020.

6) Sri V. Reddeppa, CLI/ Inspector of Police, Police Training College, Anantapuram:

On examination, he stated that previously he worked as an Inspector of Police, Ananthapuram III Town Police Station and he registered a case in Cr. No. 32/2020, U/s 419, 384, 389, 506 r/w 34 IPC of Anantapuram III Town PS on 17.02.2020 at 3 PM, based on a Complaint filed by Bandi Dhamodhar Naidu, Age 53 yrs, S/o B. Venkatesulu Naidu, Motor Vehicle Inspector, O/o Deputy Transport Commission Office against the prime accused Nutheti Jayakrishna @ Jaya @ Hari, 27 years, S/o Adinarayana, N/o Peddakottalapalli Village of Vidapanakal Mandal, now running one Girls Hostel by name Lakshmi Renuka Girls Hostel situated opposite to Pallavi Towers, Anantapuram (A-1) and recorded the accused confession statement wherein the A-1 stated that as a part of their offence " in the first week of December 2019, he phoned from his cell No. 8179144538 to the phone number belongs to Gudivada RWS Executive Engineer Venkateswara Rao, introduced himself as he is an ACB Inspector Jayakrishna, speaking from ACB Headquarters, Vijayawada, further informed that he received a complaint against him through phone and e-mail ID While he received a complaint by phone they have not given any prominence but after receipt of a complaint through e-mail ,he enquired into the matter and learned that he has not earned much and he is having a good reputation in public so he is willing to close the matter with the consultation of his senior officers without conducting any raid for which he has to pay something to convince the senior officers and to close the matter for which said person prepared to pay cash Rs.3,15,000/- and asked how to pay that amount either in person or through Bank for which he furnished the Bank account number

belongs to Mohan for which he deposited Rs.3,15,000/- to that account". Then the accused was arrested and sent for remand by him.

7) The Manager, State Bank of India, Gudivada Branch, Krishna Dist:

On examination, he stated that the as per records, the SO-1 Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, R/o Flat No.302, Chimatais Leo Apartments, AT Agaraharam, Guntur is maintaining a Savings Bank A/c No. 00000032974438165 in their branch (0844). On the requisition of the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada Range, Dt. 27.08.2022, he issued the above A/c statement and he perused the statement of the above account of the SO and found that on 08.12.2019, SO withdrew Rs.40,000/-, on 09.12.2019, the SO withdrew another Rs.40,000/- and on 11.12.2019, the SO withdrew another Rs.20,000/- from his account.

At the request of ACB officials, he issued a bank statement of A/c No.38557387617 of N. Mohan, Kalluru, Garlamadugu Mandal, Ananthapur District and he pursued the statement of A/c. 38557387617 and found that on 09.12.2019, Rs.1,60,000/- was deposited in the account by on A. Krishna Chaitanya, cell No. 9533116999 by filling bank instrument, he provided the attested copy of the said instrument. He further stated that on 08.12.2019, Rs.40,000/-, and on 11.12.2019 total of Rs.1,15,000/- (four times) was deposited in A/c. 38557387617 through CDM at Gudivada. . Accordingly, he has issued a copy of the account statement from 07.12.2019 to 12.12.2019 to the Inspector, ACB, Vijayawada Range, etc., facts.

8) The Manager, AXIS Bank, Gudivada Branch, Krishna Dist:

The Manager, AXIS Bank, Gudivada through his letter informed that Sri Karna Anuradha and Karna Venkateswara Rao are having a joint A/c No.910010023710284 in their AXIS bank, Gunturu Branch. On the requisition of the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada, Dt. 27.08.2022, he issued the above A/c statement from 01.12.2019 to 31.12.2019 and he perused the statement of the above account, which discloses that the account holder withdrew Rs. 20,000/- + Rs. 20,000/- from ATM at Gudivada on 10.12.2019 and Rs. 20,000/- + Rs. 20,000/- on 11.12.2019 from ATM at Gudivada.

Thus, the Government Servant neither informed his Superior Officers nor complained to Police/ACB about his receiving phone calls from fake ACB officials, demanding money from him to close enquiry against him, instead, the Government Servant deposited **Rs. 3,15,000/-** in the bank account provided by the fake ACB official. The acts of the Government Servant go to show that he did not maintain absolute integrity.

CHARGE:-II

The Government Servant **failed to supervise his staff resulting which the official records are not maintained properly** and the Government Servant did not maintain the 'Check Measurement Register'.

FACTS & EVIDENCE:

During the Surprise check, in the presence of mediators, the Inspector, ACB randomly verified the below-noted records and asked the Divisional Accounts Officer about by whom the registers is being maintained, the details are as follows:

RECORDS:

1. **Personal Cash Register**: When questioned Divisional Accounts Officer cum Manager about not maintenance of the Personal Cash Register, he kept silent.
2. **Attendance Register**: When questioned about the improper maintenance of the Attendance Register, the Divisional Accounts Officer stated that the Senior Assistant Sri P.Ramakrishna is responsible for the irregularity. The Inspector ACB seized the original Attendance Register for further enquiry in the presence of mediators.
3. **Increment Register:** Not maintained properly and it is the responsibility of Sri P.Ramakrishna, Senior Assistant. The Inspector, ACB, seized the Photostat copies of the same.
4. **Court Attachment Recovery Register:** Not maintained. As there are no court attachment recoveries, they are not maintaining the register.
5. **Court Case Register:** Not maintained. As no court cases are pending, they are not maintaining the register.
6. **Technical Sanction Register:** Not properly maintained. It is being maintained by Technical Officer Sri A.Srinivasarao. The Inspector, ACB seized the Photostat copies of the same.
7. **Agreement Register:** Not maintained properly. It is being maintained by Technical Officer Sri A.Srinivasarao. The Inspector, ACB seized the Photostat copies of the same.
8. **Tender Register:** Not maintained properly. It is being maintained by Technical Officer Sri A.Srinivasarao. The Inspector, ACB seized the Photostat copies of the same.
9. **Works, Assets Register:** Completely not maintained.
10. **M-Book Issue Register:** Not maintained properly i.e. the staff are not mentioning the Sl.Nos. of M-Books which they have issued to various Sub-Divisions. It is being maintained by B-2 Jr. Asst. K.Kanaka Durga.
11. **Works Administrative Sanction Register:** Not maintained properly by the Senior Asst. Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya.
12. **Check Measurement Register:** Completely not maintained by Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division.

During the enquiry, the DSP, ACB recorded the following statement about by whom the following registers are being maintained, Sri M.V.S. Satyanarayana Raju, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division and I/c District RWS Engineer, Krishna District Machilipatnam stated the details are as follows

Statement of Sri M.V.S. Satyanarayana Raju, S/o MV Rama Raju, Age 59 yrs, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division and I/c District RWS Engineer, Krishna District, Machilipatnam.

On examination, he stated that he has been working as a District RWS & S Engineer Krishna District, Machilipatnam from 17.08.2022. He came to know that on 08.09.2020 at about 11.45 hrs, ACB Officials, Vijayawada conducted a Surprise Check on the O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division. On questioning by the ACB officials about who is responsible for not maintaining the "Personal Cash Register" and not properly maintenance of the office "Attendance Register" which were observed during the Surprise Check,Dt.08.09.2020, **M.V.S. Satyanarayana**

Raju replied that the then Divisional Accounts Officer is responsible for the above lapses. **He further stated that the maintenance of the "Check Measurement Register" is the responsibility of the Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division.** Then DSP, ACB asked him about by whom the following registers are being maintained, he stated the details are as follows;

Technical Sanction Register: It is being maintained from 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-2020 wherein 3 Nos. of the works mentioned in SL 40,41,43 had not been signed by the Executive Engineer. The Register was updated till December 2019 only. No entries for the year 2020. **It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer Sri A.Srinivasarao.**

Agreement Register: The dated initials of the Executive Engineer in the Register had not been obtained from January 2020 to till date. At pages 94 & 95, SL. 52, 57 the time and date fixed for completion of works was not mentioned. **It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer Sri A. Srinivasarao.**

Tender Register: e-Tender Register is being operated by the case worker of the then Division i.e Technical Officer Sri A. Srinivasarao with **the** assistance of the Typist/ DEO. The finalization of tenders shall be put up to the Executive Engineer duly submitting a comparative statement and note file. After every month the details of opened tenders shall be recorded in the Register. But he failed to record all the columns in the Tenders Register and did not take up the dated initials of the EE in Column No. 5 which shows the Tender acceptance was not recorded in the entitled Register. **It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer, Sri A. Srinivasarao.**

Measurement Book Issue Register: In the Register opening balance and closing balance is not mentioned. The entries were updated up to November 2019 only. Not to mention the Sl. Nos. of M-Books which they have issued to various Sub-Divisions. **It was not maintained properly by the then B-2 Jr. Asst. K.Kanaka Durga.**

Works Administrative Sanction Register: The works sanctioned by the Dist. Collector, Krishna dist, Chief Executive Engineer, Zilla Parishat, Krishna under different grants like Chief Minister Development fund, ZP funds, etc., should be recorded in the Register. But Assistant Technical Officer T. Vara Lakshmi had to take dated initials from the Executive Engineer which it was filed and registered the works and SL number-wise. **It was not maintained properly by the then Assistant Technical officer (ATO), T.Vara Lakshmi.**

Check Measurement Register: Completely not maintained by the then Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division Sri K. Venkateswara Rao

He further stated that about the duties and responsibilities of the Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, and his office staff.

Thus the Government Servant **failed to supervise his staff resulting which the official records are not maintained properly** and the Government Servant did not maintain the 'Check Measurement Register.

CHARGE:-III

The Government Servant was in the possession of an unaccounted amount of Rs. **12,320**/- while on duty on the day of the Surprise Check i.e., 08.09.2020 by violating the orders of the Government.

FACTS & EVIDENCE:

During the Surprise check, in the presence of mediators, the **Inspector requested the officials of RWS to produce the cash possessed with them. On that, the Govt. servant** Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao **produced the personal cash** Rs. 12,320/-**voluntarily.**

Then the Inspector asked the Divisional Accounts Officer, Works who is also seeing the establishment to produce the Personal Cash Declaration Register. Then the Divisional Accounts Officer stated that the said Personal Cash Declaration Register was not maintained in their office.

Thus the Govt. Servant possessed an unaccounted amount of Rs. 12,320/- while on duty on the day of the Surprise Check i.e., 08.09.2020 by violating the orders of the Government

CHARGE:-IV

The Government Servant did not put his signatures in the office Attendance Register for the entire Calendar year during his tenure which shows his gross negligence towards legitimate duties

FACTS & EVIDENCE:

During the Surprise check, in the presence of mediators, the Inspector asked the Divisional Accounts Officer to produce the Attendance Register and he produced the same, Attendance Register, which is being maintained for the Calendar Year -2020.

On perusal of the Attendance Register for September 2020, **the Govt. servant** Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao **did not put his signatures in the calendar year, 2020.**

Thus the Government Servant did not put his signatures in the office Attendance Register for the entire Calendar year during his tenure which shows his gross negligence towards legitimate duties.

The Government Servant Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao by his above-mentioned acts has exhibited a lack of integrity, devotion to duty, and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby violated/ contravened Rule 3 (1), 3 (2), and 9 (8A) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule No 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

The Government Servant Sri Karna Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer (Retd.) rendered himself liable for Departmental action for a major penalty.

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ANNEXURE – III

The following documentary evidence is available on record.

1.	**Surprise Check Proceedings** conducted on 08.09.2020 at O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division	It was drafted by the independent official mediators and shows the facts that were taken place during the Surprise Check and seizure of registers and documents at the O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division.
2.	**Attendance Register :**	He has failed to put signatures in the calendar year, 2020.
3.	**Technical Sanction Register:**	On perusal, the Register is being maintained from 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-2020 wherein 3 No. of works mentioned in SL 40,41,43 had not been signed by the Executive Engineer. The Register was updated till December 2019 only. No entries for the year 2020. It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer, Sri A. Srinivasa Rao.
4.	**Agreement Register:**	On perusal, the Register, the dated initials of Executive Engineer in the Register had not been obtained from January 2020 to till date. On page Nos. 94 & 95, Sl. No. 52, 57 the time and date fixed for completion of works was not mentioned. It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer Sri A. Srinivasa Rao.
5.	**Tender Register:**	On perusal, the Register, E-Tender Register is being operated by the case worker of the then Division i.e Technical Officer Sri A. Srinivasa Rao with the assistance of the Typist / DEO. The finalization of tenders shall be put up to the Executive Engineer duly submitting a comparative Statement and note file. After every month the details of opened Tenders shall be recorded in the Register. But, he failed to record all the columns in the Tenders Register and did not take the updated initials of the EE in Column No. 5 which shows the Tender acceptance was not recorded in the entitle Register. It was not maintained properly by the then Technical Officer Sri A. Srinivasa Rao.
6.	**Measurement Book Issue**	On perusal of the Register, opening balance, and closing balance are not

	Register:	mentioned in the Register. The entries were updated up to November 2019 only. Not mentioned the Sl. Nos. of M-Books which they have issued to various Sub-Divisions. It was not maintained properly by the then B-2 Jr. Asst. K. Kanaka Durga.
7.	**Works Administrative Sanction Register:**	On perusal of the register, the works sanctioned by the Dist. Collector, Krishna district, Chief executive Engineer, Zilla Parishad Krishna under different grants like Chief Minister Development Fund, ZP Funds, etc should be recorded in the Register. But Asst. Technical Officer T. Vara Lakshmi had to take dated initials from the Executive Engineer which it was failed and Registered the works date-wise and SL number-wise. It was not maintained properly by the then Asst. Technical Officer (ATO), T.Vara Lakshmi.
8.	**SBI Bank statement of SO-1 K.Venkateswara Rao, A/c No. 00000032974438165 in their branch (0844).**	On perusal of the A/c Statement, on 08.12.2019, the SO with drawn Rs.40,000/- from his account, On 09.12.2019, he withdrew another Rs.40,000/- from his account, and on 11.12.2019, he withdrew another Rs. 20,000/- from his account.

9. **SBI Bank statement of A/c No. 38557387617 of N.Mohan, Kalluru, Garlamadugu Mandal, Ananthapur District.**

On analysis of the bank statement of savings Bank A/c No. 38557387617, belongs to Kalluru Branch, Garladinne Mandal, Ananthapuram Dist belongs to N. Mohan, which was provided by the fake ACB official to the SO-1. The following are the transactions.

S No	Date of deposit	Deposited In	Mode of payment by	Amount (in Rs.)
1.	8.12.2019	Cash deposit Machine at Gudivada	SO -1, K.Venkateswara Rao, EE,	40,000/-
2.	9.12.2019	Through the SBI Gudivada Branch	LW.3 A.Krishna Chaitanaya, Senior Assistant	1,60,000/-
3.	11.12.2019	Through Cash deposit Machine at Gudivada	SO -1	40,000/-
4.	11.12.2019	Through Cash deposit Machine at Gudivada	SO -1	38,000/-
5.	11.12.2019	Through Cash deposit Machine at	SO -1	22,000/-

			Gudivada		
	6.	11.12.2019	Through Cash deposit Machine at Gudivada	SO -1	15,000/-
				Total	**3,15,000/-**
10.	**Bank instrument/ counter foil issued by Branch Manager, SBI, Gudivada Branch.**			It discloses that as per the instructions of SO-1, K. Venkateswara Rao, EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, on 09.12.2019, one A. Krishna Chaithanya, Cell No.9533116999 who is working as a Senior Assistant in the office of RWS & S, Gudivada Division deposited Rs. 1,60,000/- at Gudivada SBI Branch in A/c No. 38557387617.	
11.	**AXIS Bank statement of A/c No. 910010023710284 of Gudivada Branch, Krishna Dist along with the letter.**			On perusal of the A/c statement and covering letter, it is revealed that Sri Karna Anuradha and Karna Venkateswara Rao are having a joint A/c No. 910010023710284 in AXIS bank, Guntur Branch. On the requisition of the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada, Dt. 29.08.2022, he issued the above A/c statement from 01.12.2019 to 12.12.2019 and he perused the statement of the above account It discloses that the account holder withdrew Rs.20,000/- + Rs. 20,000/- from ATM at Gudivada on 10.12.2019 & Rs.20,000/- + Rs. 20,000/- 11.12.2019 from ATM at Gudivada.	
12.	Attested Copies of FIR, CD and confession statement of the Accused in Cr. No.32/2020 of III Town Police Station, Anantapuramu.			It discloses that a case was registered in Cr.No. 32/2020 of Ananthapuram III Town PS against the culprits (fake ACB officials), who made fake calls to SO-1 along with other the Govt. officials and collected money Rs.3,50,000/-through Bank account etc. facts	
13.	Signed statement of Smt Uchula Kamalamma, W/o late Mutyala Prasad, Age 55 yrs, Jr. Asst., O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division,			It shows that on 08.09.2020, while she was working in her seat, at about 10.45 hrs, the ACB officials came to their Executive Engineers' office and asked about fake ACB phone calls to Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, conducted searches in their office and seized some documents etc. facts.	
14.	Signed statement of Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya, S/o (late) Sreenivasa Vara Prasada Rao, Age 26 yrs, Sr. Asst., O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, R/o D.No.17-			It shows that on 09.12.2019, Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer(Rtd.), called him to his room, gave him Rs.1,60,000/- (one lakh sixty thousand Rupees), and instructed him to deposit the amount in a bank A/c. 38557387617, SBI of N.	

	335/8b, Tattivarru Road, Mandapadu, Gudivada Town:	Mohan. Accordingly, he deposited Rs.1,60,000/- in A/c.38557387617 through SBI, Gudivada Branch by filling the bank instrument and handing over the counter foil to the then EE, Venkateswara Rao(Rtd), etc facts.
15.	Signed statement of Sri Maganti Satyanarayana Rao, S/o Subhash Chandrabose, Age 50 Yrs, Typist, O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada, R/o Sumalatha Mansion, behind Eenadu Office, Patamata, Vijayawada, Ph: 9441364976	It shows that on 08.09.2020 at about 10.45 hrs, the ACB officials conducted Surprise check in their Executive office and asked about fake ACB phone calls to Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer(Rtd.), conducted searches in their office and seized some documents, he came to know that Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then EE(Rtd.), paid some amount in the fake ACB officials etc. facts.
16.	Signed Statement of Sri M.V.S. Satyanarayana Raju, S/o MV.Rama Raju, Age 59 yrs, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division and I/c District RWS Engineer, Krishna District Machilipatnam.	It discloses about the Surprise Check conducted by ACB officials on 08.09.2020 and the other things that happened in O/o EE, RWS Division, Gudivada, Explains who is responsible for which records in the office and lapses in the said office records and discloses the annual inspections etc. facts.
17.	Signed Statement of Sri Chandu Amareswara Rao, S.E., (Retired), RWS & S Circle, Vijayawada.	It discloses about Surprise Check conducted by ACB officials on 08.09.2020 and the other things that happened in O/o EE, RWS Division, Gudivada, and discloses about the annual inspections etc.facts.
18.	Signed Statement of Sri V. Reddeppa, CLI/Inspector of Police, PTC, Anantapuram.	It discloses that registration of Cr.No. 32/2020 of Ananthapuram III Town PS against the culprits (fake ACB officials), who made fake calls to SO-1 along with other the Govt. officials and collected money Rs.3,50,000/-through Bank account etc. facts.
19.	Signed statement of the Manager, SBI, Gudivada Branch.	It discloses about depositing money in A/c No. 38557387617 of N.Mohan, Kalluru, Garlamadugu Mandal, Ananthapur District at Gidivada and found that on 09.12.2019, Rs.1,60,000/- was deposited in the account by on A.Krishna Chaitanya, cell No. 9533116999 by filling bank instrument, providing of the attested copy of the said instrument etc., facts.
20.	Signed statement of Manager, AXIS Bank, Gudivada Branch.	It discloses of withdrawal of money from A/c No. 910010023710284 in their AXIS bank, Gunturu Branch at

		Gudiviada etc.,facts.
21.	GO MS.No.200/ GA. Ser (c) Department, Dt. 26.03.2007	As per Government of AP GO MS.No.200/ GA. Ser (c) Department Dt. 26.03.2007, as the ceiling on possession of personal Cash Rs.500/- is fixed while on duty in office. Each official should declare personal cash at the time of reporting to duty if it is more than Rs.500/-. If excess cash is found, it is a violation of AP CS Conduct Rules.
22.	Lr.Rc.No. A1/EE/2020, Dt. 11.9.2020 of SE, RWS & S Circel, Vijayawada & enclosures	It discloses the **charge of SO for the post of EE, RWS & S** Division Gudivada and his official mobile sim No. 9100121315 which number is receiving calls from fake ACB officials.
23.	Lr. No. A1/ ACB/ Service Particulars/2020, Dt.03.10.2020 of the EE, RWS & S Davison Gudivada & enclosure	It disclosed the **Job chart** of the officials of the O/o EE, RWS & S Division, Gudivada

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ANNEXURE – IV

The following oral evidence is available on record.

S.No.	Name, and address of the witnesses	Gist of the evidence
1)	**Sri Boyina Krishna Mohan** S/o Gangadhara Rao, 40 Yrs, Asst Audit Officer (State Audit), NTR Health University, Vijayawada, R/o Plot No.6, upstairs, Vishnupuram colony, Poranki, Penamaluru (M), cell. 9502551417, **(Mediator-I).**	They speak about their presence as mediators and the things that happened during the Surprise Check in the O/o RWS & S, Gudivada Division, Krishna Dist, i.e., on 08.09.2020 etc. facts.
2)	**Sri Arekapudi Sreenivas Babu** S/o Sree Ramachandra Rao, 55 Yrs, Senior Auditor, O/o Asst. Audit Officer, State Audit, 3rd floor, AMC Complex, Governorpet, Vijayawada, R/o D.No.57-13-15, NEW P&T Colony, Patamata, Vijayawada, Ph: 9848378805, **(Mediator-II).**	
3)	Sri Uchula Kamalamma, W/o late Mutyala Prasad, Age 55 yrs, Jr. Asst., O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, R/o 1-112/21, 1st Floor, Suvarna Enclave, Indane Gas Street, Gudivada Town.	She speaks that on 08.09.2020, while she was working in her seat, at about 10.45 hrs, the ACB officials came to their Executive Engineers' office and asked about fake ACB phone calls to Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer(Rtd.), conducted searches in their office and seized some documents etc., facts
4)	Sri Ambati Krishna Chaitanya, S/o (late) Sreenivasa Vara Prasada Rao, Age 26 yrs, Sr. Asst., O/o Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, R/o D.No.17-335/8b, Tattivarru Road, Mandapadu, Gudivada Town:	He speaks that on 09.12.2019, Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, the then Executive Engineer, called him to his room, gave him Rs.1,60,000/- (one lakh sixty thousand Rupees), and instructed him to deposit the amount in a bank A/c. 38557387617, SBI of N. Mohan. Accordingly, he deposited Rs.1,60,000/- in A/c. 38557387617 through SBI, Gudivada Branch by filling the bank instrument and handing over the counter foil to the then EE, Venkateswara Rao(Rtd.), etc., facts.
5)	Sri Maganti Satyanarayana Rao, S/o Subhash Chandrabose, Age 50 Yrs, Typist, O/o CEO, Zilla Parishad, Krishna District, previously worked in the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada, R/o Sumalatha Mansion, behind Eenadu Office, Patamata, Vijayawada, Ph: 9441364976	He speaks that on 08.09.2020 at about 10.45 hrs, the ACB officials conducted Surprise check in their Executive office and asked about fake ACB phone calls to Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, EE, the then Executive Engineer, conducted searches in their office and seized some documents, he came to know that Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then EE,Retired paid some amount in the fake ACB officials etc., facts.
6)	Statement of Sri M.V.S. Satyanarayana Raju, S/o MV	He came to know that on 08.09.2020 at about 10.45 hrs, ACB Officials, Vijayawada

	Rama Raju, Age 59 yrs, Executive Engineer, RWS & S, Gudivada Division and I/c District RWS Engineer, Krishna District Machilipatnam.	conducted a Surprise Check on the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then EE(Rtd.), paid some amount to the fake ACB officials, the then EE neither informed the superior officers of RWS & S nor complained to Police/ ACB officials regarding the fake ACB calls and about the giving of money by him to avoid an enquiry, **he verified the records and observed that** the then EE Venkateswara Rao failed to supervise his staff resulting which the official records are not maintained properly and etc., facts.
7)	Statement of Sri Chandu Amareswara Rao, Superintending Engineer (Retired), RWS & S Circle, Vijayawada	He came to know that on 08.09.2020 at about 10.45 hrs, ACB Officials, Vijayawada conducted a Surprise Check on the O/o EE, RWS & S, Gudivada Division, Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, the then EE(Rtd.), paid some amount to the fake ACB officials. The then EE neither informed the superior officers of RWS & S nor complained to Police/ ACB officials regarding the fake ACB calls and about the giving of money by him to avoid an enquiry. He had planned to conduct inspections of the division during March 2020 vide Proceedings No. A2/ inspection/2020, Dt.17.03.2020, in the meantime 7 members of his office staff were affected with Covid-19 positive, and also due to the lockdown and COVID-19 Pandemic. After the relaxation of the restrictions, he conducted the inspection of the RWS & S, Gudivada Division on 15.09.2020 for the year 2019-20 etc., facts.
8)	Sri V. Reddeppa, CLI/ Inspector of Police, Police Training College, Anantapuram:	He registered a case in Cr. No. 32/2020, of Anantapuram III Town PS on 17.02.2020, based on a Complaint filed by B. Dhamodhar Naidu, MVI, against the accused Nutheti Jayakrishna @ Jaya @ Hari, he arrested the accused, recorded his confession. During confession N. Jayakrishna stated that he called to Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, EE, RWS, Gudivada division as he is ACB official and demanded money for close the enquiry against EE, then EE Deposited Rs. 3,15,000/- in the account which was provided by him etc., facts.
9)	The Manager, State Bank of India, Gudivada Branch, Krishna District.	He speaks that Sri K. Venkateswara Rao, is having a SB A/c No. 00000032974438165 in their branch, he issued A/c statement. He also issued a statement of A/c No. 38557387617 of N. Mohan, Kalluru, Garlamadugu (M), Ananthapur District and he found that on 09.12.2019, Rs. 1,60,000/- was deposited in the A/c by on A. Krishna Chaitanya, he provided the attested copy of the said instrument etc., facts.

10)	The Manager, AXIS Bank, Gudivada Branch, Krishna District.	He speaks that Karna Anuradha and Karna Venkateswara Rao are having a joint A/c No. 910010023710284 in their AXIS bank, Gunturu Branch. On the requisition of the DSP, ACB, Vijayawada, he issued the above A/c statement.
11)	Sri K. Happy Krupavandanam, Inspector-I, ACB, Vijayawada Range, Vijayawada.	To speak to the facts about Surprise Check dated. 08.09.2020.
12)	Sri B.Srinivas, Dy. Supdt. of Police, ACB, Vijayawada Range, Vijayawada.	To speak to the facts about Surprise Check dated. 08.09.2020
13)	Sri P. Sarath Babu, Dy. Supdt. of Police, ACB, Vijayawada Range, Vijayawada.	To speak to the facts about Surprise Check dated 08.09.2020 and submitting Surprise Check Report and DACs to HO, etc., facts.

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